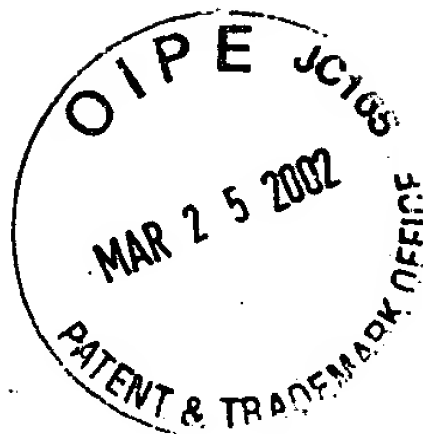


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In re Application of:

AKIRA KURIYAMA ET AL.

Appln. No.: 09/986,251

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DECOMPOSING POLLUTANT

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Commissioner for Patents
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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document may be found, inter alia, in the specification at paragraph [0004] and in the attached English abstract.

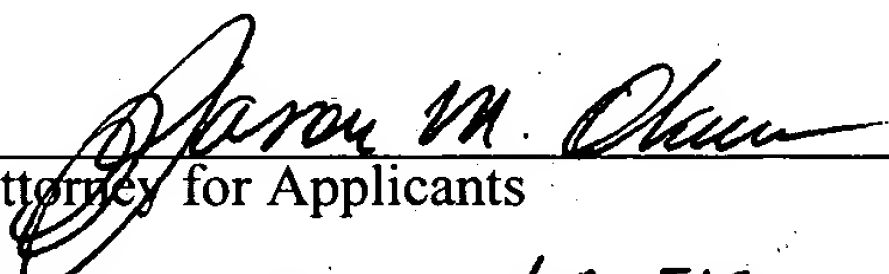
CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

It is believed that no fee is required for consideration of this information.
However, if such a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge
Deposit Account 06-1205.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by
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